GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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LOSS OF REVENUE DUE TO SOFTWARE PIRACY
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

:-

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a heavy loss in the revenue earnings due to software piracy; and

(b) if so, the quantum of loss during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(DR. SA PASWAN)

(a): The revenue earnings have been affected to some extent due to Software Piracy. Various measures taken by the Government to curtail software piracy are enclosed.

(b): The quantum of loss as per the NASSCOM estimates in the last three years is as follows:

S.No.	Year	Revenue loss (Rs. in crores)
1.0	1999-2000	900
2.0	2000-2001	1200
3.0	2001-2002	1700